

To the Chairperson and Members Of the Central Area Committee

December 2023

Area Housing Report Cabra/Glasnevin/NWIC

Project Office Annamoe Terrace

- Adequate locking mechanisms for all offices works commenced
- Secure interview room with protective screen and two door access works commenced
- CCTV Room works commenced
- Painting and upgrade of the front of building Quotes received Start date to be confirmed
- Planter for front of building Request submitted to Public Domain Officer to source

CCTV

A full review of the CCTV coverage across the area has commenced: On -going TEC Security to provide a report on the following – this will be available when all of the upgrading works and the CCTV room are completed.

- Number of cameras and locations across the area
- Review of what can be accessed from the Project Office
- Processes and time-frames for requesting footage
- Costings for upgrades / additional monitors / comms room –works commenced.

Senior Citizen Complexes

A review of the senior citizen complexes is on-going to identify areas for improvement, CCTV, communal areas, lighting and general upgrades, quotes for these works are in progress.

Dominic Court, CCTV has been installed with a live feed back to the projects office:

Entrance gates - Quotes have approved for installation of fob access for the vehicular and pedestrian gates and will be implemented in the coming weeks. – Works complete all tenants to be issued with fobs before gates are activated.

Lighting - the complex has been listed for lighting upgrading works. This upgrading will exchange the current street lighting to LED lighting.

St Peter's Court

- All shrubbery and green spaces to be cleaned and cut back completed
- Stairs To be power washed Caretakers supervisor has confirmed this work has been carried out.
- Community Room to be cleaned, upgraded and brought back in to use on-going – works commenced.

A request for some benches to be installed will be considered following the cleaning and upgrading works.

McKee Court

Bait boxes laid and deep cleaned by Peter Hyland's crew.

Dunmanus Court

Deep clean completed by Peter Hyland's crew.

Bricin's Park

Quotes sought to upgrade existing flower beds and shrubbery.

Clareville Court

CCTV to be upgraded

Botanic Avenue Flats

- External works to garden area rear of senior citizens
- 48m of new footpaths
- Shutter of areas
- Re-pointing of two paving areas

Quotes received and approved, works commenced.

Canon Burke

This complex is on the Housing Maintenance list for the "Enhanced Works Programme" – start date to be confirmed. The area housing staff will engage with all residents in advance of works commencing. A written request was submitted to Housing Allocations to relocate all remaining seven residents to alternative accommodation on a permanent basis to facilitate the programme of works. CCTV to be upgraded.

Carnlough Road

Large over grown area at the rear of DCC tenancy, numerous complaints regarding vermin. Works completed.

St Marys Place North/ Dorset Street Flats

St Marys Place has now been fully de-tenanted and it is projected that the remaining two blocks in Dorset Street will be fully vacated by Q3 2023. The Housing Office has secured all vacated dwellings. Housing Maintenance is currently undertaking an extensive scheme which involves decommissioning and clearing out all units and blocking access to de-tenanted landings. Palisade fencing of the site commenced on August 30th 2023, following completion of these works the CCTV cameras will be realigned for maximum coverage of the site. The Housing Delivery / Project Manager for this development is Eileen Martin – eileen.martin@dublincity.ie

The Area Housing Manager has met with the remaining tenants in Dorset Street and they have agreed in principal to take two 1 bed units in the development in Wellington Street. These units will be ready for occupation in January 2024. These moves are subject to a letter of comfort for both tenants to return to the new development in Dorset Street in due course if so desired.

O'Devaney Gardens

The works on the access road from North Circular Road to Montpellier Avenue has been concluded, by Barta, and access, from the North Circular Road, to the Montpellier Avenue and Montpellier Close has been reopened. Barta has now moved the road alinement works to the southern end of the complex and walking access to Thor Place will be maintained. This walkway will be opened from 7.30 to 4.45 Monday to Friday to facility school access and addition lighting will be put in place to assist patrons. This traffic restrictions forms part of the emergency road closure (that commenced from 5th June for at least six months to allow these works to take place). The temporary residents-only parking facility remains in place nevertheless public parking for those residents is available on the reopened road. We have been advised that the project timeline is on schedule, for the mixed tenure build, consisting of 1047 units.

St Finbars Court

Townlink, the appointed contractor, commenced works in May and it is estimated that the project will take 18 months to complete. Enabling and excavation works are progressing. Consultation is ongoing with both DCC and Townlink. The contacts for this development are DCC Housing Delivery / Project Manager Aine Behan – aine.behan@dublincitycouncil.ie and Townlink onsite manager Kevin Kearney Tel: 087-3898569.

Bannow Road Site

It has been decided that an AHB will develop both social housing and cost rental on the site. The development will consist of 144 units of 1, 2 & 3 beds to include a designated community hub and a crèche facility. The proposal seeks to build on the strong community spirit in Cabra providing additional amenity spaces and focal points.

Infirmary Road

Martin Donlon DCC Project Manager gave a presentation of the proposed community development spaces to the ODG consultative forum on Tuesday 29th November 2023. Enabling works have commenced and the project will have an estimated 18 month construction programme. Consultation will be taking place with local residents over the coming months.

The Infirmary Road development will consist of 38 units in total located in two blocks, with a mix of 1, 2 and 3 bed apartments and duplexes in both blocks. The development has received Part 8 approval to include the demolition of two buildings on site, which excludes the Married Quarters as there is a preservation order in place for this building. It is expected that work will commence onsite by the end of Q3 2023 subject to completion of tender process and final budget approval from Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government.

Dunard Court

The Contractor has begun works in removing the *Washing Walls* in the complex and other ground works. This work has been commissioned to remove the hide areas that have been used for anti-social behaviour in the past. Works completed.

Area Housing Statistics November 2023 - Cabra / Glasnevin / NWIC

Anti-Social Behaviour	Nov 2023	YTD
No of anti-social complaints per 1997 act Drug related	1	7
No of anti-social complaints per 1997 act not Drug related	10	103
No. of Complaints	9	131
Total Complaints	20	240
No of anti-social Interviews per 1997 Act	1	13
No of other interviews	5	76
Total interviews	6	90
No of requests for mediation	0	0
No of complaints referred to the Central Unit for action	0	2
No of Tenancy warnings issued	0	0
No of excluding orders issued	0	0
Allocations		
Housing (Band 2 & 3)	6	29
Transfers (Band 2 & 3)	0	13
Older Persons Housing (band 2 & 3)	0	12
Older Persons Transfers (band 2 & 3)	2	21
Medical and Welfare	0	15
Older persons medical and welfare	0	15
Transfer HAP	0	4
Fire/Flood/Emg – Maintenance	0	1
Estate Management	0	3
RAS/HAP exit	0	2
De-tenanting	0	22
Surrendering Larger Accommodation	0	2
Homeless	2	4
Total Allocations Made	10	143



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Arts in Your Area Pilot:

Two performances of The Cloudspotter Play were performed locally in The Sancta Maria Day Centre and the Christ The King Hall. Both were very well attended with very positive feedback and requests to do similar in the area again. Patrons were treated to refreshments afterwards in both venues and a facilitator engaged them in conversation regarding the issues raised in the play while fielding questions. A representative from Alzheimer's Ireland assisted the facilitator with questions and information and relevant handouts. Both events were very successful community connection catalysts for DCC, the older person's day centres and local residents.

Montpelier/O'Devaney Residents:

Capacity building is ongoing to assist and with the set -up of new residents groups for this area to support community cohesion connection and social inclusion.

Christmas:

Christmas Lights Pilot Dunard Court Seniors Complex:

29th November 2023

In an effort to bring some festive spirit and encourage social interaction between residents. The community development team decorated trees and the community centre with battery operated Christmas lights. We are trialling this project and will evaluate it with the residents again in January. The feedback so far has been very encouraging.

Christmas Tree Lighting @ Faussagh Avenue:

1st December 2023 @ 5.00pm

Our local Christmas Tree Light Ceremony will take place at Faussagh Avenue on the 1/12/23 @ 5.00pm. The tree will be officiated by Cllr. Eimer Mc Cormack for The Lord Mayor. Children from Gaelscoil Bharra will provide music and a small choir at the event. Gaelscoil Bharra and the school parents committee supported by DCC will also provide the refreshments afterwards in the school hall. Community Gardaí will also be in attendance.

Stoneybatter, 1st December @ 6.00pm

Cllr. Deborah Byrne will officiate at the Stoneybatter Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, 1st December at 6.00pm on behalf of the Lord Mayor. The Stanhope Street choir will

perform on the night. The Stoneybatter Pride of Place Committee are the main organisers with Dublin City Council Community Development Team and the staff of the Prussia Street hall are providing refreshments.

Drumcondra, 2nd December @ 6.00pm

The Drumcondra Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony is taking place on Saturday, 2nd December, 2023, at 6.00pm. Cllr. Eimer McCormack will officiate at this event on behalf of the Lord Mayor. Hannah Tyrrell has also been invited to speak on the night, who will switch on the lights. The Business Association of Drumcondra is represented by Gerry Breen. Áine Clancy is the hostess on the night who will meet and greet Cllr. Eimer McCormack and Lisa Yeates, the Community Development Team, Dublin City Council.

Phibsboro, 2nd December @ 7.15pm

On the 2nd December, 2023, at 7.15pm the Phibsboro Church Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony is taking place at St. Peter's Church, Phibsboro. Cllr. Eimer McCormack who will officiate for the Lord Mayor. Richard Collis, Retired Pharmacist will also speak and switch on the lights. Fr. Eamon, Sr. Claire, Marion McCormack and Pat Magee are members of the Church Committee who have organised the event with Dublin City Council Community Development Team.

Cabra Parkside Christmas Market

3rd December 2023 @ 1.00pm - 5.00pm

The very popular Cabra Community Christmas Market will take place in Cabra Parkside Sports Centre on Sunday the 3rd of December. We are supporting the hard work the centre staff put into this event with financial and practical support, the community team will work the event on the day also. Stalls, Crafts, food and Santa Grotto promise another very successful day.

Christmas Dinner for senior persons in Cabra DCC Complexes:

6th December 2023 @ 1.00pm

We have invited all residents in our senior person complexes in the Cabra area to Christmas Dinner in Dunard Court. We have engaged the services of the catering team and staff in Sancta Maria Day Centre to provide the food, a full Christmas Dinner on the day. Served by our team and local volunteers, music and presents have also been arranged with each attendee receiving a small gift and a Christmas card.

The 'All Stars' Inclusion Team Event

8th December @ 5.30pm

The Community team has been working alongside St Oliver Plunkett's GAA to support a Christmas party for the children from the All Stars team. The All Stars team is for children with additional needs.

This is a sensory friendly event and will be held on the 8th of December at 5.30pm in St Oliver Plunkett's GAA. As part of the event Bricks4kids will do a workshop for the children. All children will have the opportunity to meet Santa and will receive a selection box.

Santa's Grotto Cabra, The Bogies Cabra Parkside:

15th December @ 3.00pm - 5.00pm

As Members of the Child and Family Support Network for Cabra, we will hold a Christmas Grotto with Arts, Crafts and refreshments and a raffle at The Bogies. The event will be free and seeks to include those members of the community on the periphery and dealing with adversity at what can be a stressful time for some families.

Christmas Party and Disco for younger children Dunard Community Centre:

15th December @ 7.00pm

Dunard Community Residents Group will hold a Family Christmas Celebration in their Community Centre on the 15/12/23. Supported by DCC community team, an under 12s Disco will be held with Santa arriving with selection boxes for the children.

The Glens Residents Association Christmas Celebration, Scouts Hall:

17th December 2023 @ 15.30pm - 18.30pm

A Christmas party targeting seniors and young people will be held by the Glens Residents Association on the 17/12/23 in the Scouts Hall. DCC will support this very active community group covering 181 houses in their locale. The group are new and this endeavour will strive to connect the local residents and build community cohesion, while raising the profile of the group which has 79 members at present. Music, food and raffle prizes will be on offer on the day.

Library in the Community

The Library in the Community Section is part of Dublin City Libraries outreach service. They offer the following services outside of a library branch setting: Library resource presentations, pop-up libraries, library information stands, outreach book collection, programming in the community. They also have a home delivery service for house bound borrowers.

The residents of Clareville Court enjoyed an information session from Library staff. The Library in the Community are putting together an outreach collection for the residents of Clareville that will be placed in the Centre. This collection will be updated every couple of weeks.



Nollaig Shona Daoibh Go Léir ón bhfoireann forbartha pobail Happy Christmas from the Community Development Team



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